

Department of Agriculture to adopt certain regulations; authorizing the Department of Agriculture to charge certain fees; requiring certain reports; authorizing the Department of the Environment to adopt certain regulations to limit the size of swine farm operations; providing a subtraction modification under the Maryland individual and corporate income tax for certain expenses associated with the purchase of certain agricultural machinery under certain conditions; providing that the subtraction may be carried over to succeeding taxable years under certain circumstances; providing for a tax credit under the Maryland individual and corporate income tax for certain expenses associated with certain costs necessary to convert agricultural production to a certain nutrient management plan under certain circumstances; placing certain restrictions, conditions, and limits on the use of the tax credit; providing that the tax credit may be carried over to succeeding taxable years under certain circumstances; requiring an individual or corporation to receive a certain certification from the Department of Agriculture and file proof of the certification; defining certain terms; requiring the Governor to target and coordinate certain funding; requiring the Secretary of Agriculture to submit a certain report by a certain date; requiring the University of Maryland Cooperative Extension Service to submit a certain annual report to the Nutrient Management Advisory Committee, the Governor, and the General Assembly; requiring the Maryland Department of Agriculture to provide certain notice to farmers of the availability of certain assistance and of the requirements of this Act; authorizing the transfer between certain departments of certain appropriations and positions for fiscal year 1999; providing for the termination of certain provisions of this Act; and generally relating to nutrient management and water quality.

BY adding to

Article 83A – Department of Business and Economic Development

Section 6–801 through 6–807, inclusive, to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 8.
Animal Waste Technology Fund”

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(1995 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Agriculture

Section 6–101(a), (d), and (e), 6–102, 6–113, 6–201(f), and 8–805

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(1985 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Agriculture

Section 6–106

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1985 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)

BY adding to